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PATENT APPLICATION

In re Application of: **Merry, et al.**

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For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR IN-SITU FILM STACK PROCESSING**

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

In response to the Final Office Action dated October 18, 2006, and Advisory Action dated January 30, 2007, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on January 18, 2007, please enter this response with accompanying the Request for Continued Examination (RCE), and reconsider the claims pending in the application for the reasons discussed below. The Applicants believe that a RCE fee of \$790.00 and one-month extension are due in connection with this response. These fees have been paid with the submission of this paper using the Patent Electronic Business Center. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782 for any other fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.